

A bill for an act
relating to higher education; modifying certain requirements for an associate of
applied science degree at Minnesota State Colleges and Universities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. **MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES DEGREE
REQUIREMENTS.**

An associate of applied science degree offered by a college in the Minnesota State
Colleges and Universities system is exempt from the 60 semester credit limit for an
associate degree in the policy adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State
Colleges and Universities under Laws 2007, chapter 144, article 1, section 4, subdivision
3, clause (b). The board must not require the associate of applied science degree to
obtain a waiver from the credit limit in the current policy. The board must also modify
the current credit limit policy to conform with the exemption for the associate of applied
science degree under this section. In addition, the board must develop and disseminate
information to inform students, potential students, and the public on the unique nature
and requirements of an associate of applied science degree.